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INTEGRATION OF AN ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM INTO  
AN EXISTING ENTERPRISE NETWORK

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AMENDMENT "B", PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

(In Response to 5/12/2006 Office Action)

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment "B" is being filed in response to the Office action dated May 12, 2006. The three month shortened statutory period for responding to the Office action expired on August 12, 2006. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests and petitions that the period for response be extended for three months to November 12, 2006. Enclosed herewith is an RCE for the subject application. Please charge the \$1,020 fee for the three-month extension of time and the \$790 fee for the filing of the Notice of Appeal to our Deposit Account No. 050877.

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper
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